

**Suspend the Rules and Agree to the Resolution, H. Res. 240, with
Amendments**

(The amendment consists of a new preamble and a substitute text)

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 240

Condemning recent actions taken by the Russian military to down a United
States Air Force drone.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 21, 2023

Mr. WILLIAMS of New York (for himself and Mr. COSTA) submitted the
following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Condemning recent actions taken by the Russian military
to down a United States Air Force drone.

Whereas United States European Command released footage
confirming that 2 Russian Su-27 fighter jets acted un-
professionally and in a reckless manner when intercepting
and downing a U.S. MQ-9 Reaper drone on March 14,
2023;

Whereas a United States Air Force drone was acting safely
and responsibly in international airspace and in accord-
ance with international law; and

Whereas the 2 fighter jets released fuel and bumped into the drone, resulting in the drone crash-landing in the Black Sea: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) condemns the reckless actions of the Rus-
3 sian military; and

4 (2) reaffirms the United States will not be de-
5 terred from operating U.S. drones in international
6 airspace in the Black Sea region due to Russia's
7 reckless behavior.